

IN THE MICHIGAN COURT OF APPEALS

ORDER

Re: **Ira Lawton v Department of Corrections**
Docket No. **306160**
L.C. No. **11-006167-AA**

Donald S. Owens, Judge, acting under MCR 7.211(E)(2), orders:

Appellant's updated prisoner account statement received on October 20, 2011 is treated as a motion for reconsideration of this Court's October 5, 2011 fee order. The motion for reconsideration is GRANTED, and the October 5, 2011 order is VACATED.

The motion to waive fees pursuant to MCR 7.202(4) and MCR 7.204(B)(2) is DENIED because MCL 600.2963 mandates that a prisoner pursuing a civil action be liable for the filing fees. Appellant is not required to pay an initial partial fee. Further, appellant has already refiled his initially-filed pleadings. However, for this appeal to be filed, **appellant shall submit a copy of this order with a signed written statement that he wishes to proceed with this appeal within 21 days of the certification of this order.** By doing this, appellant becomes responsible for paying the \$375 filing fee and may not file another new civil appeal or original action in this Court until such time that either the Department of Corrections remits or appellant pays the entire outstanding balance due. MCL 600.2963(8). Failure to comply with this order shall result in the appeal not being filed in this Court and appellant not being responsible for paying the filing fee.

If appellant timely refiles the pleadings, monthly payments shall be made to the Department of Corrections in an amount of 50 percent of the deposits made to appellant's account until the payments equal the balance due of **\$375**. This amount shall then be remitted to this Court. Again, appellant may not file either a new civil appeal or an original action until appellant pays the entire outstanding balance due. MCL 600.2963(8).

The Clerk of this Court shall furnish two copies of this order to appellant and return appellant's pleadings with this order.



A true copy entered and certified by Larry S. Royster, Chief Clerk, on

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Date


Chief Clerk